

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A navigation system comprising:

a communication ~~means for receiving~~ unit that receives information on a specific point via a predetermined communication line;

a display control unit that displays ~~means for displaying on predetermined display means~~ an image ~~that contains~~ containing information on the specific point received by the communication unit on a display ~~means~~;

a character data extracting unit that extracts a ~~means for extracting~~ character string including data of ~~specific information on~~ regarding the specific point from among images displayed on the display ~~control means~~; and

a route searching unit that searches ~~means for searching~~ routes based on conditions set in position information on the specific point received by the communication unit ~~means~~, and in the specific information extracted by the character data extracting unit ~~means~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The navigation system according to Claim 1, wherein the communication unit ~~means~~ receives information on the specific point from home pages on the Internet or e-mails.

3. (Currently Amended) The navigation system according to Claim 1, wherein the character data extracting unit ~~means~~ extracts a character string ~~data of~~ including time information from among displayed images.

4. (Currently Amended) The navigation system according to Claim 3, wherein the route searching unit ~~means~~ searches for routes through which a user will be able to reach the specific point by ~~the~~ a time set in the time information extracted by the character data extracting unit ~~means~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The navigation system according to Claim 1, wherein the character data extracting unit ~~means~~ extracts a character string ~~data of~~ including charge information from among the displayed images.

6. (Currently Amended) The navigation system according to Claim 5, wherein the route searching unit ~~means~~ searches for routes such that the sum of charges obtained by adding a charge ~~set~~ included in the charge information extracted by the character data extracting unit ~~means~~ and a charge to be incurred ~~to the specific point~~ does not go beyond ~~the~~ a previously set charge.

7. (Currently Amended) The navigation system according to Claim 1, wherein when the route searching unit ~~fails~~ ~~means failed to~~ find ~~search for~~ routes that meet conditions set in the specific information extracted by the character data extracting unit ~~means~~, the display control unit ~~means~~ displays a message representative of the failure.

8. (New) A method of providing navigation assistance, the method comprising:
receiving information on a specific point;
displaying data regarding the specific point on a display;

extracting a character string including detailed information regarding the specific point from the displayed data;

searching routes based on position data associated with the specific point and the detailed information contained in the extracted character string; and

displaying a route which meets conditions set in the position information and the detailed information.

9. (New) The method of claim 8, wherein the displayed data is received from the Internet or electronic mail messages.

10. (New) The method of claim 8, wherein the detailed information includes time information.

11. (New) The method of claim 8, wherein the detailed information includes charge information.